

Summer 2015

Dear New-To-SBU Musician:

At St. Bonaventure University there are many performance opportunities for singers and players of all musical instruments. I am writing to **encourage you to continue your musical activities while you attend SBU**. Participation in our fine music program is **open to all students**, regardless of major.

Ensembles on campus include Concert Choir, Concert Band, Jazz Band, and numerous small ensembles, such as Blues Ensemble, Brass Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble/Drum Circle, String Ensemble, Chamber Singers (Choral Scholars), etc. Rehearsal times for the small ensembles may be found in the online Class Schedule. Rehearsal times for the larger ensembles are:

Concert Band—Tuesday at 6:30pm to 9:00pm

Jazz Band—Monday at 4:00pm to 6:30pm

Concert Choir—Wednesday at 4:00pm to 6:30pm.

One (1) credit hour per ensemble may be earned each semester through successful participation in any ensemble. **During summer orientation, tell your advisor that you wish to be added to the ensemble(s) of you choice.** If you do not register for an ensemble course during summer orientation, see me in QAC 205 at the beginning of the fall semester and I will sign you into the course. Or, come to the first scheduled rehearsal of the ensemble in which you are interested, and the director will sign you into that ensemble. Student participation in any of the ensembles is also welcomed on a non-credit basis. We also have a full slate of 3-credit music courses available to all SBU students; **many of these do not have any pre-requisites**.

So, please remember to bring your instrument to campus this fall (note: a limited number of university instruments are available for student use), and I hope that you will continue your musical endeavors during your time at St. Bonaventure University.

Sincerely,

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